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Subject: additional weekly item re Bay-Delta - is it too late? Karen do you want this included?
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SF Bay-Delta: California Department of Water Resources (DWR) released pre-administrative drafts of the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP) and draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) to cooperating federal agencies and the public on February 29, 2012. The BDCP is a habitat conservation plan under the Endangered Species Act intended to address the most critical water issues facing California by constructing water diversion intakes in the north Delta, a water conveyance tunnel connecting new intakes to the existing pumps in the south Delta, identifying the amount of water that can be diverted, and providing up to 80,000 acres of aquatic habitat restoration. DWR requested early input from federal cooperating agencies on the pre-administrative draft of the DEIS and HCP. EPA will be providing feedback to DWR with respect to NEPA review and rating for the DEIS and compliance with other environmental laws such as the Clean Water and Clean Air Acts. Comments are due to DWR by March 27, 2012.

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